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Governor felicitates organ donation activist



Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad felicitating Mr. Pramod Laxman Mahajan at Raj Bhawan.

Gangtok, March 12: Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad felicitated Mr. Pramod Laxman Mahajan, resident of District Sangli, Maharashtra and an organ donation activist associated with Rebirth Foundation, Pune Maharashtra at Raj Bhawan, today. He was accompanied by the members of Dirty Angel Motorcycle Club, the first Motorcycle NGO of Sikkim who was looking after the campaign and logistics in Sikkim. Mr. Pramod, aged 68 years and a farmer by profession, embarked on solo Bharat Organ Yatra on motorcycle covering a total distance of 17,500 Kilometres across 25 states in the country over a period of 132 days to create awareness and promote voluntary

organ donation.

The Governor expressed his pleasure on meeting Mr. Pramod and advocated more people to come forward for the noble cause of organ donation. "I have always believed that organ donation is the biggest service to humanity that we can undertake during our life time. I am associated with Dadhichi Dehdan Samiti and have registered myself to donate my body after death. The Governor further showed his keenness to have a formal campaign launched in Sikkim in near future involving higher learning institutes and Universities which will help promote the movement of organ donation.

Orchid Show at Flower Exhibition Centre inaugurated

Gangtok, March 15: The Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated the Orchid Show at Flower Exhibition Centre at Chogyal Palden Thondup Namgyal Memorial Park near White Hall, today.

The Chief Minister was also accompanied by the Minister Agriculture & Horticulture Mr. Lok Nath Sharma, Minister Forest Mr. Karma Loday Bhutia, Minister Road and Bridges Mr. Samdup Lepcha.

The Chief Minister formally inaugurated the Orchid Show and interacted with the exhibitors. He applauded their efforts to adopt floriculture professionally and further encouraged them to

conserve the varieties of orchids.

The customary inaugural of flower show has competition in four divisions namely, Cymbidium Hybrids, Species Orchids, Cymbidium Eburneum and Cymbidium Lowianum.

On the sideline of the programme, the Chief Minister also interacted with the students of schools from Gangtok peripheries including Government Senior Secondary School Sichey, Government Senior Secondary Modern School and Girls Senior Secondary School Deorali and advised them to focus on career building for the development of the nation.

Governor lays Foundation stone of Maharishi Dayanand Hostel

Gangtok, March 14: Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad laid the foundation stone of Maharishi Dayanand Hostel for Students Scholastic Development at Sonam Tshering Marg, Gangtok, in the presence of Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang and Chairman, MDH and President, Akhil Bhartiya Dayanand Sewashram Sangh (ABDSS) Padmabhusan Mahashay Dharmpal.

Before laying the foundation stone of the upcoming infrastructure, the dignitaries participated in the Hawan Ceremony amidst the chanting of Vedic Hymns by students and Members of the Samaj.

The proposed Hostel for Students Scholastic Development, once established, will impart free of cost education to underprivileged children. The Centre will impart holistic education focusing on social, intellectual, cultural and skill development of children.

The Organizing committee expressed their profound gratitude to the Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad, and Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh



Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad, Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang, Chairman, MDH and President, ABDSS Padmabhusan Mahashay Dharmpal in the foundation stone laying ceremony of Maharishi Dayanand Hostel at Sonam Tshering Marg, Gangtok.

Tamang for allotting the site to the ABDSS to carry out its activities.

The Governor and Chief Minister congratulated and extended their best wishes to the ABDSS for their future endeavours.

Later, addressing the indoor

programme at Chintan Bhawan as the chief guest, Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad profusely thanked Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang for his forthcoming support and commitment for the

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CM chairs high-level meeting on preparedness of COVID 19 in the state

Gangtok, March 16: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang chaired a high-level meeting of all Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, State Administration led by the Chief Secretary, and various stakeholders of the hospitality sector to deliberate on immediate measures to be taken by the State to prevent the outbreak of Novel Corona Virus (COVID 19) in the State of Sikkim.

It may be mentioned that the State of Sikkim has not reported a single case of COVID 19 till date, and the Government is taking all possible measures to prevent any outbreak.

At the outset, Chief Secretary, Mr. S.C. Gupta gave an overview of the current situation, how the Government of Sikkim is managing the situation, and further steps needed to be taken to handle it effectively. He stressed that the rate at which the virus is spreading exponentially, there is no room for any complacency. He however maintained that



Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang and other dignitaries in a high-level meeting at Samman Bhawan, Gangtok.

there is no need for any panic explained in detail the initiatives either.

The Chief Secretary

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Pearls of Wisdom

"We accept the love we think we deserve."

- Stephen Chbosky

District Diary

1st Phase of 2021 Census Training held

Mangan, March 16: The North District Administration as 1st phase of forthcoming Population Census-2021 and NPR updation began a four day training programme for Enumerator & supervisor of Mangan block at DAC Conference Hall from March 16. The programme was organised by the Directorate of Census Operation, Sikkim.

It may be pertinent to mention here that the 1st phase of 2021 census and NPR updation will commence from April 07 to May 22, 2021.

Similarly, in Gyalshing, the

Enumerator and Supervisor Training 1st phase of 2021 census and NPR (National Population Register) updation organised by the Directorate of Census Operations, Sikkim was held at Zilla Bhawan, Gyalshing.

The training was chaired by ADC (West), Mr. Karma L. Lepcha (District Census Officer) along with SDM Gyalshing, Mr. Tshering T. Bhutia (Charge Officer of Gyalshing Sub-Division and Rural); Mrs. Bhumika Pradhan, MEO (GMC); Mr. Raju Bhandari, Deputy Director, Education (Additional Charge

Officer) and Mr. Vimlesh Kumar (Statistical Investigator).

ADC (West) in his address to the trainers, supervisor and enumerators directed them to take full benefit of the training and learn the modules for the collection of Census report.

During the training it was also informed that the NPR data will be updated on mobile apps and on paper schedules. The Emulator will opt either mobile Apps or paper schedules for updation of the NPR data.

2nd phase training for enumerators and supervisors organised

Namchi, March 16: The 2nd phase training for enumerators and supervisors for the forthcoming Population Census-2021 and NPR updation organised by Directorate of Census Operation, Sikkim commenced at the

Conference Hall of Green Park, Jorethang, today.

Sub-Divisional Magistrate-cum-Charge officer, Mr. R.B. Bhandari formally inaugurated the training programme and spoke about the importance of

census in the state for any developmental project.

It may be pertinent to add here that the 1st batch training for rural census was held on March 11 and concluded on March 14, 2020.

Legal Services Camp and International Women's Week organised

Namchi: District Legal Services Authority (South) and Taluk Legal Services Committee (South) in coordination with the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority organized a Legal Services Camp and International Women's Week, at Kewzing Govt. Senior Secondary School, South Sikkim on March 15.

The programme focused mainly on NALSA (Protection and Enforcement of Tribal Rights) Scheme, 2015. The programme was launched by the Ld. Chairman, DLSA (South) Mr. Jiwan Kumar Kharka in presence of the Secretary DLSA (South), Ms. Jwala D. Thapa, Learned. Judicial Magistrate, Sub-Division, Jorethang (South) Ms. Rohini Rai, Ld. Panel

Advocates, Mr. Bhim S. Pradhan, Ms. Sushila Thapa, Social Welfare Department, Mr. Sangay Bhutia, Para-Legal Volunteers Mr. Jairam Gupta and the students and staff members of the school were

present.

The attendees interacted with the representatives of the Departments present to address their problems and to procure appropriate advice and guidance.

Similar programme was also organized at Ravangla Bazar which was launched by the Ld. Chairman, DLSA (South) Mr. Jiwan Kumar Kharka in presence of the Secretary DLSA (South), Ms. Jwala D. Thapa, Learned Judicial Magistrate, Sub-Division, Jorethang (South) Ms. Rohini Rai, Ld. Panel Advocates, Mr. Bhim S. Pradhan, Ms. Sushila Thapa, Food & Civil Supplies Department, Mr. Dinesh Pradhan (DCSO) Social Welfare Department, Mr. Sangay Bhutia, Para-Legal Volunteers Mr. Jairam Gupta and the Students and Staff members of the school.

Likewise, District Legal Services Authority (South) and Taluk Legal Services Committee (South) in co-ordination with

the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority also organized the programme at District Court Complex, Namchi on March 11 and at Government Girls Senior Secondary School Namchi on March 13.

The programme was launched by the Ld. Chairman, DLSA (South) Mr. Jiwan Kumar Kharka in presence of the Secretary DLSA (South), Ms. Jwala D. Thapa.

It may be mentioned here that the programme was targeted to spread awareness about welfare legislations various schemes and to strengthen the community's access to the schemes being implemented by the Legal Services Authority and other Departments of the Government.

The programme also looked upon understanding the legal needs of the people by addressing their legal problems and giving appropriate legal advice.

North District Udyam Samaagam organised

Mangan, March 13: The two day North District Udyam Samaagam organised by the District Industries Centre (East & North), Commerce & Industries department, Government of Sikkim supported by the Office of Development Commissioner (MSME), Ministry of MSME, Government of India and AIC-SMUTBI started in Mangan Community Hall premises in North Sikkim on March 12.

The event was inaugurated by Zilla Adhakshya, Ms. Namday Lepcha which had daylong session of plenary speeches by experts of the State and Centre from different fields in MSME, NABARD, Spices and financing institute. The entrepreneurs present were made aware of the different schemes and avenues for

development and growth of MSME enterprises.

The pitching session held on day two was judged by General Manager ZUVENTUS Health Care Limited, Mr. Deepak Kumar Verma; Project Manager Teesta Urja Limited, Mr. Palden Bhutia; Assistant Director MSME-DI Gangtok, Mr. D.R. Sharma; CEO, AIC-SMUTBI, Dr. Tej Chingtham; Director (MSME) Department of Commerce & Industries, Mr. N. Jaswant.

The closing marked the award distribution to the winners of the best Startup/business idea pitching competition and felicitation of all the entrepreneurs from North district who participated in the event by Director, Commerce & Industries Department, Mr. N. Jaswant.

Sensitization programme on child rights and child protection laws & mechanism conducted

Mangan, March 12: A sensitization programme on child rights and child protection laws & mechanism was conducted for the children of Lingchom Tingda GPU, Kabi Block, today. The programme also included formation of Village Level Children's Parliament and was organized by the District Child Protection Unit (North), under Child Protection Scheme, Social Justice and Welfare Dept. in co-ordination with the Village Level Child Protection Committee, Lingchom Tingda GPU.

The Panchayat President-cum-Chairperson of Village level Child Protection Committee, Mr. Passang Sherpa, encouraged the children to put forth any issues/problems they are facing in their locality to the elected Panchayats so that their rights could be protected.

He asked the Children's Parliament formed to meet regularly and utilise the platform to address their issues to higher authorities in an effective manner.

The DCPO (North), Mrs. Wendy Lepcha informed the children on the child protection laws, the Constitution of Village Level Child Protection Committees in GPUs to assist children and to protect their rights at the grassroot level; the child friendly room in Gram Prasashan Kendras and how and where to report on violation of any child rights.

The DCPU team through games and activities explained the Sustainable development goals to the children. The programme concluded with the oath taking of the Children's Parliament executed by the Panchayat President-cum-Chairperson, VLCPC.

Co-ordination meeting with school heads of West District held

Gyalshing, March 12: The co-ordination meeting amongst school heads of West District organised by Education Department in collaboration with District Collectorate was held at the Community Hall, Gyalshing, West Sikkim, today.

The meeting was chaired by DC (West) Mr. Karma R. Bonpo along with Additional Director (Education), Mr. Karma C. Gyatso; Deputy Director (Education) Mr. P. L. Subba; C.M.O. West Dr. Anusha Lama; Principals and teachers of West District.

Mr. Karma R. Bonpo in his address to the gathering talked about the Aspirational District Plans to improve the quality of education. He motivated good leadership among each and every school and stressed on

the importance of having good leadership. DC (West) talked about the future plan to send 50 teachers to Delhi to learn about the education policies and practices. Encouraging everyone present in making english speaking compulsory in each and every school he also highlighted about free internet connection, smart classes, clean toilets in every schools and modern schools in each and every Constituency.

Dr. Anusha Lama gave awareness on Corona Virus. She highlighted about the disease, signs and symptoms, precautions, the do's and don'ts and the global scenario. Lastly, she requested school heads to convey the same to their students as well in order to curb the spread of the virus.

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Dated:13/03/2020

SUB: SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Whereas, Ms.Sangeeta Gurung, LDC/HQ, Motor Vehicles Division, Transport Department was sanctioned 1076 days leave vide O.O. No. 256/MV/T dated:25.02.2017 as under:

1. 120 days w.e.f. 01.02.2017 to 31.05.2017 as Earned Leave
2. 98 days w.e.f. 01.06.2017 to 06.09.2017 as Half Pay Leave
3. 858 days w.e.f. 07.09.2017 to 11.01.2020 as Extra Ordinary Leave.

Whereas, Ms.Sangeeta Gurung, LDC/HQ, Motor Vehicles Division, Transport Department has exceeded the admissible leave period of 3 years and still not reported for duty nor intimated the department on expiry of leave period till date which is in contravention of Rule 14 of Sikkim Government Service Rules, 1974.

Now, thererore, in accordance with Rule 14 (2) of the Sikkim Government Service Rules, 1974, the lien to the post of LDC in R/o Ms. Sangeeta Gurung, LDC/HQ, Motor Vehicles Division, Transport Department shall stand cancelled and she shall cease to be in Government employment with effect from 12.02.2020.

Secretary
Transport Department

To,
Ms. Sangeeta Gurung
W/o Bhim Lall Gurung
Chakung, West Sikkim

R.O.No.397/IPR/PUB/Classi/19-20, Dt:17/03/2020

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CM chairs...

being taken by the Government at various levels, starting with the screening of visitors and commuters from the State borders.

Principal Secretary, Health, Mr. K. Srinivasulu, briefed about the state of preparedness and measures being taken to contain the situation. He stressed that since COVID 19 has been declared as a global pandemic, there is no other option but to contain and exercise self quarantine. He also appealed to the people to exercise hygienic practices, especially in poultry farms and slaughterhouses.

DG-cum-Secretary, Health, Dr. P.T Bhutia in his address briefed about the current status of initiatives being taken by the State Health Department. He reiterated that this is a pandemic, and support and cooperation is solicited from all departments and concerned stakeholders to contain the situation. Speaking about the screening process, he stated about the need for additional manpower from NGOs. He informed that Civil Defence is already in place, Urban PHC (Old STNM) has been designated as quarantine ward, and that the State Health Department is technically prepared. He requested for mobilization fund for the health staff and officers to carry out the work effectively.

Additional Chief Secretary, Tourism Department, Dr. K. Jayakumar, stated that the preparedness of the state is in place and future plans for containment is fully justified considering the exponential spread of the virus globally. He proposed for some moratorium in loans being taken by individuals from the hospitality sector to compensate the economic distress they would be facing.

He stressed on the need for Quarantine enforcement team, home and community care givers, screening team, control centre, reporting/notification of symptoms, advocacy, educating stakeholders like drivers and service sector people, hospital care, ventilator and ICUs, and temperature measuring machines.

He shared a five point strategy of strict enforcement-Detection, Contact tracing, intensive medical care, supplies & disposals, and control room with designated team.

This was followed by an open house discussion which was participated by officers and stakeholders.

Stakeholders like TAAS, SAATO, SHRA and Driver Associations expressed their support to the decision taken by the Government. They also expressed their readiness to contribute manpower as volunteers at various screening points. They also announced

that they would contribute at least two number of thermal screening equipment to the Health Department. They urged the Government to ensure that all infrastructure should be established within the period of shut down, so that once the situation comes to normalcy, tourists and visitors should not feel apprehensive about travelling to Sikkim. They unanimously welcomed the Government's decision to intensify the process for the overall safety of the people of Sikkim, and assured their full support at various stages.

Officers of the State Government also participated in the discussion and made their submissions.

Political Secretary to the Chief Minister Mr. Jacob Khaling and MLA Martam Rumtek Mr. Sonam Venchungpa also shared suggestions like constitution of State Task Force and suggestions to ease the process of screening.

Additional Chief Secretary, Finance & Planning, Mr. V.B. Pathak informed that an amount of 55 lakhs has been contributed by the Future Gaming Group and its MD Mr. S. Martin towards the Chief Minister's Relief Fund which was handed over to the Chief Minister.

Mr. Pathak also urged the Health Department to expedite the construction of the 100 bedded Infectious Disease Ward at new STNM Hospital which is nearing completion.

Chief Secretary, Mr. S.C. Gupta summed up the open house discussion wherein he called for considering legal aspects while taking decision on shut down of educational institutions and other bodies.

After the thorough deliberations, Chief Minister Shri Prem Singh Tamang made the following announcements of the State Government to deal with the current situation impacted by COVID 19. These decisions are being made in public interest which is inevitable at this point of time, he said. He appealed to the people of Sikkim to take these decisions positively, because nothing is more important than public health and life. He said that Sikkim is fortunate to not have a single case of Corona Virus, but we should take all possible precautionary measures:

1. The State Government will notify a complete ban on entry of domestic tourists to Sikkim till 15th April, 2020, subject to improvement in the situation. He added that the Government will review the situation from time to time, and if it does not improve, the shut down could be extended.

He also appealed to the people of Sikkim to avoid any travel outside the State, unless it is an emergency and unavoidable.

He also advised the people of Sikkim to avoid travelling to Darjeeling, Kurseong and

Kalimpong, and discourage family and relatives from these places from visiting Sikkim.

2. All public places such as Cinema Halls, Casinos, Pubs and Disco, Gyms, hotels, Mela and festivals, schools, colleges and Universities will be closed till April 15, 2020. He added that all the students should stay in Sikkim and refrain from travelling outside the State, even if it means not travelling to their home states.

3. Melli and Rangpo will be the designated checkpoints for screening. Rambam, Reshi and Uttarey check posts will be closed, which will save some manpower for the two desinated checkpoints.

4. Tourism Guest House at Rangpo will be converted into a quarantine ward. The Chief Minister directed for similar arrangements to be made in Melli.

5. Government will procure testing and all required equipment. Police and Health Department were directed to go all out to carry out the work.

6. SICB Centre in Karfector, South Sikkim will be converted into quarantine/isolation unit. Similarly, the Government will take up other suitable Government establishments if the need arises.

7. He declared the immediate constitution of State Level Task Force and District Level Task Force to tackle the situation. State Task Force will comprise of Principal Secretary Health, Principal Secretary Tourism and Director General of Police, while the District Task Force will be headed by the respective District Collectors. Chief Secretary will be overall incharge of the State Task Force and District Task Force.

8. Pharmaceutical companies and other industrial units will also be requested to shut down, in public interest. The Chief Minister directed the Commerce & Industries Department to take necessary action.

9. Health Department to procure emergency medicines to avoid any shortage in future.

10. All essential and food commodities to be stored by the concerned Department immediately to avoid any shortage in future.

11. Complete ban on entry of labourers into the State till the situation normalizes. The Chief Minister maintained that those labourers who are already in the State should not travel out of the State.

12. Government orders will be issued for all the above decisions made.

In conclusion, the Chief Minister appealed to the people of Sikkim to support the decision of the Government. He said that life and health of people of Sikkim come above all else, and urged to everyone to exhibit high level of resilience, coordination and camaraderie to collectively tackle this situation in the best interest of the people of Sikkim.

Cleanliness drive carried out at various places in Gangtok

Gangtok, March 14: As a part of Poshan Pakhwada, a cleanliness drive was carried out at the vicinity of Private Taxi stand, Masjid Area and Church Road, Upper Arithang, today.

GMC (Mayor), Mr. Shakti Singh along with Anganwadi workers, local gentry and officials led the cleanliness drive organised by Urban Slum Project under Social Justice and Welfare Department, W&CCD.

POSHAN Abhiyaan is a flagship programme of Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) to reduce stunting,

under nutrition, anemia and low birth weight and ensure attainment of malnutrition free India by 2022.

The focus area of the two-week-long Poshan Pakhwada starting March 08 to March 22, 2020 is -Men for Nutrition-Increasing Male Engagement in Poshan Abhiyaan - to improve Nutrition Outcomes.

Before undertaking the cleanliness drive, the participants took a pledge to build a social movement and support the Government to make India healthy and free from malnutrition.

Government of Sikkim Water Security & Public Health Engineering Department

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Dated: 12/03/2020

PUBLIC APPEAL

THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM WOULD LIKE TO APPEAL ITS VALID CONSUMERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC TO KINDLY OBSERVE FEW PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR BETTER MANAGEMENT OF SEWAGE AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

1. DO NOT FLUSH CLOGGING MATERIALS DOWN THE FLUSH LIKE TOWELS, RAGS, LATEX ITEMS, CROCKERIES, DISCARDED ITEMS, BABY NAPKINS, SANITARY NAPKINS, DEBRIS, HAZARDOUS WASTE, PLASTIC ITEMS.

2. CONNECTION AND DISCHARGE OF STROM WATER AND ROOF WATER OUTLET TO GOVERNMENT SEWER LINE ARE NOT PERMITTED.

3. SEWER, CONNECTION FROM INDIVIDUAL HOUSE TO GOVERNMENT SEWER LINE SHOULD BE DONE ONLY AFTER OBTAINING NECESSARY CONNECTION ORDER FORM THE OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, SEWERAGE, PHED, GANGTOK. ILLEGAL CONNECTION IS NOT ALLOWED AND IS PUNISHABLE UNDER THE LAW.

4. HOUSE SEWER CONNECTIONS ARE TO BE DONE BY THE CONSUMERS AT THEIR OWN RISK AND COST AND THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT BE INVOLVED IN THE SAME.

5. REPAIR OF SEWAGE LEAKAGES FROM PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS AND SEWER PIPE ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY OWNER. SUCH REPAIR, SHOULD BE DONE IMMEDIATELY AFTER DETECTION BY THE HOUSE OWNER AT THEIR OWN COST.

6. NOTICES SERVED FORM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT ENGINEER REGARDING SEWERAGE SYSTEM SHALL BE COMPLIED IMMEDIATELY.

7. CONSUMERS ARE REQUESTED TO MAKE THE PAYMENT OF BILL AND CLEAR UP THE ARREARS ON TIME.

8. SEWAGE OF HOUSES IN AREAS WITH NO GOVERNMENT SEWER LINE FACILITY SHALL BE TREATED AND DISPOSED THROUGH PROPER METHOD LIKE SEPTIC TANK AND SOAK PIT. DISCHARGING RAW SEWERAGE INTO JHORAS IS ILLEGAL AND PUNISHABLE.

9. ANY COMPLAIN REGARDING SEWERAGE SYSTEM CAN BE PLACED AT THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT ENGINEER (SEWERAGE), PHE DEPARTMENT, INDIRA BYE PASS, TO TIMELY RESOLVE AND TO PROVIDE BETTER SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC.

**DIVISIONAL ENGINEER,
PHED,SEWERAGE, GANGTOK
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Directorate of Sikkim State Lotteries Finance Department, Government of Sikkim Deorali, Gangtok-737102

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Dated:13/03/2020

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/TENDER

For and on behalf of the Governor, the Directorate of Sikkim State Lotteries, Finance Department Government of Sikkim hereby invites sealed tender/bids from the eligible Proprietorship firm/ Partnership Firm/Company registered under the law for selection and appointment as Distributor/Marketing Agent for marketing and sale of 16 (sixteen) Online Weekly Lottery draws per day, in the ratio of 8:8.

The intending bidders may visit the website of the Government of Sikkim (www.sikkim.gov.in, www.sikkimlotteries.com) for details.

**Sd/-
Director,
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Chief Minister presides over passing out Parade at Paljor Stadium

Gangtok, March 16: Passing out Parade of 431 personnel of Sikkim Police Recruit Constables of Police Training Center, SAP, Pangthang & Recruit Training Center, IRBn, Pipalay was held at Paljor Stadium, Gangtok, today.

The programme was graced by the Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang as a chief guest.

The chief guest while addressing the gathering congratulated all the recruit cadets on successful completion of their one year training and discipline. He reminded all the passing out cadets that to take an Oath under the Constitution means that in times to come all the cadets have to keep the flag high at all cost and circumstances.

He said that the State is indeed proud of each one of them and they should always practice integrity and keep the moral code high throughout their journey. The Chief Minister stated that the police force is an essential part of the state as they are the ones responsible for maintaining law and order. He advised the passing out recruits to perform their duty diligently and with utmost sincerity to preserve the sanctity of the state. He assumed that the government will ensure every necessary help such as to resume

children's education allowance and increase the ration allowance etc.

Talking about the Corona virus the chief guest said that the government is taking every possible step to ensure the safety of people which is the top most priority. He requested everyone to refrain from traveling and not to invite guests until the situation improves and to co-operate at this time of crisis which he sincerely hoped that people of Sikkim will contribute to it.

DGP, Mr. A Shankar in his short address thanked the Chief Minister on behalf of Sikkim Police for making his time to grace the momentous day to cherish each and every recruit, their family members and all members of Sikkim Police. He said that it is a proud day for Sikkim Police as another contingent of 431 recruits constables are passing out today after completion of their regular one year training which started in Feb 2019 at four designated centre office.

He said that the recruits have been imparted with basic knowledge of Law, Local and Specialised Human Rights, Aspects of Forum Science and other subjects which included Weapons Training, Field Crafts, Jungle Survival and other related

subjects. He stated that over 35 trainers drawn from various branches of Police Department were being stationed at each of the training institute along with Guest lecturers for the past one year who have been imparting training to these constables on various outdoors and indoors subjects.

Earlier, the chief guest presented the coveted PURESKAR VIJETA trophy to the following :

1. Outdoor Best (PTC Pangthang) RC Albert Lepcha
2. Outdoor Best (RTC Pipalay) R/WC Suhang Limboo
3. Indoor Best (PTC Pangthang) RC Gyalpo Lepcha
4. Indoor Best (RTC Pipalay) R/CK Albert Rai
5. Best Shooter (PTC Pangthang) RC Bimal Gurung
6. Best Shooter (RTC Pipalay) RC Biren Subba
7. All Round Best (PTC Pangthang) RC Pintso Chopel Bhutia
8. All Round Best (RTC Pipalay) R/WC Lakpa Dorjee Sherpa

Mr. Chewang Dorjee Bhutia PTC Pangthang and Mr. D. Bhutia Sub Inspector were awarded certificate by the chief guest.

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Governor lays...

completion of the project. The Governor highlighted about the unique features of Sikkim which is culturally and naturally rich. He also mentioned that Sikkim had created a distinct identity as a fully organic farming state, which is being replicated in other States.

Speaking about the teachings of Arya Samaj, he added that Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam is the basic message of the Vedas.

He lauded the effort of each Member of the Samaj and its sister organizations towards organizing the event, and urged them to give continuity to the zeal to complete the hostel project at the earliest.

He thanked the Chief Minister for solving the land issues being faced by the Arya Samaj in Rumtek and praised the service projects being taken up by the organization at the local level.

The Governor said that he would continue to represent Sikkim in the best possible way with the central government. He added that the Central Government has laid great focus on the North East. He urged everybody concerned to leverage on the importance being given to North Eastern region by the Government of India. He expressed hope that Pakyong Airport will be re-operational at the earliest so that Sikkim can connect with ease with other states as well as South East Asia.

The Governor concluded his address by congratulating everyone for the foundation stone laying ceremony and urged all for their support and contribution, and take Sikkim to new heights of development.

Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang in his address expressed his gratitude to the Governor for his noble thought and idea of establishing this project in Sikkim. Similarly, he expressed his gratitude to Padmabhushan Mr. Mahashay Dharmpal, Chairman MDH and President ABDSS, whose contribution towards Sikkim will be written in golden letters.

The Chief Minister praised the ideology of Arya Samaj and the great service being carried out by different wings of the organization throughout the world.

He also gave a brief about the establishment of Arya Samaj in the hills of Sikkim and Darjeeling, and urged the Members to work with renewed enthusiasm.

He announced that the State Government will support the organization whenever required. He stressed that the Government is fully committed for the development of education. He added that the Government is committed to develop Gurukul system of education in the State. He expressed happiness that the project is being created for the development of our children. He informed that the State Government has appointed 171 Sanskrit Graduate teachers for the propagation of the language.

The Chief Minister

congratulated the State President of Arya Samaj Sikkim Mr. Jagdish Pradhan and his team for the success of the program and for the new infrastructure. He stressed that the facility will cater exclusively for the children of Sikkim. He urged the local body to fully involve themselves in the construction process, and apprise the government if any bottleneck arises. He assured that the Government will lend all possible support for the project.

Padmabhushan Mr. Mahashay Dharmpal Ji in his address expressed his gratitude to the Governor of Sikkim for inviting him to Sikkim. He expressed his praise for the beauty of Sikkim and said he was fortunate to be able to visit the State for the first time.

He thanked the Chief Minister for his audience and for his whole hearted support for the project.

It was announced that Mr. Padmabhushan Mahashay Dharmpal has committed an amount of Two Crore Fifty One Lakh for the Students Scholastic Hostel project.

Swami Sampooranand Maharaj Ji, disciple of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati Ji in his brief address said that a great deed is the result of a great thought or idea. He lauded the Governor of Sikkim for conceiving the idea and the Chief Minister for lending his positive support, and Mahashay Dharmpal Ji for taking a huge step towards realize the noble idea through his commitment.

The programme also had address by Executive Members of sister organizations of Arya Samaj, felicitations, and colourful cultural performances by students of Dayanand Anglo Vedic (DAV) Schools from different parts of the country.

Earlier, the programme began with welcome address by President, Sarv Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Mr. Suresh Chandra Arya.

The programme was conducted by Delhi Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Mahamantri, Mr. Vinay Arya, who also highlighted about the background of the programme. He also announced that a total amount of Fifty One Lakhs was committed in today's programme. Some of the contributors were also felicitated towards the end of the programme.

Organized under the aegis of Akhil Bhartiya Dayanand Sewashram Sangh in Association with Arya Samaj, Gangtok, the foundation stone laying ceremony had the presence and participation of Cabinet Ministers Mr. B.S. Panth, Mr. Samdup Lepcha, and Mr. Sanjit Kharel, Chief Secretary Mr. S.C. Gupta, DGP Sikkim Mr. A. Shankar Rao, President, Sarv. Arya Pratinidhi Sabha, Mr. Suresh Chandra Arya, Secretary, SAPS, Mr. Prakash Arya, Vice President, ABDSS, Mr. Vinay Arya, General Secretary, ABDSS, Mr. Joginder Khattar, President, Arya Samaj Sikkim, Mr. Jagdish Pradhan, host of other dignitaries, and senior Members and representatives of Arya Samaj from Sikkim and other parts of the country.



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